# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
# LOK SABHA

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Green Highway Projects
Senguttuvan Shri Balasubramaniam

**Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has launched the Green Highway Projects across all the States in the country;

(b) if so, the details and salient features thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the funds earmarked/allocated/spent by the Government on the said project during the last two years;

(d) whether the Government requires the concessionaires collecting tolls on the National Highways (NHs) to contribute to this project, if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government proposes to extend the said project to the newly laid NHs by the National Highway Authority of India (NHAI), if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether the Government has launched this scheme in the State of Tamil Nadu, if so, the details thereof including the list of NHs where the said scheme has been launched?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) to (f) Plantations are part of all highway development projects. Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has also launched the Green Highways (Plantation, Transplantation, Beautification & Maintenance) Policy, 2015 to promote greening of Highway corridors with participation of the community, farmers, private sector, NGOs and government institutions. Plantations are also carried out along the road side by agencies like the Forest Department, NGOs, Corporates, etc. No separate funds have been allocated for this purpose. Concessionaires are mandated the task of median plantations and avenue plantations as per the provisions of the relevant Concession Agreement.

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